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A Wild and Crazy Guy!

Are You A Dynamite Kid?

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1. I think *Dynamite* is

a. almost as much fun as playing with my toes!
b. delicious with ketchup.
c. ticklish.

2. If I had two wishes I would wish for

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b. more free time to play with my toes and a pet mosquito.
c. a career in underwater skydiving and two more wishes!

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Year-Long Calendar 1980

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Say good-bye to the wild and crazy guy and say hello to The Jerk:

Steve Martin

Everyone knows Steve Martin. You can't miss him! He's the guy who wears $700 white suits with nose glasses and bunny ears. You might know him better as a "wild and craaaaaazy guy," or a "ramblin' guy," who's been known to have attacks of "happy feet." And if you don't like his jokes, he'll just say, "Well, Excuuuuuuse Me!"

Steve Martin packs the concert halls with up to 20,000 near-hysterical fans and pockets an easy $75,000 a night — minimum. His first record, *Let's Get Small*, sold well over 2½ million and won a Grammy award. His second record, *A Wild and Crazy Guy*, featuring the gold single, "King Tut," rocketed to the top of the charts within weeks

Krieger

of its release. He's been a guest and host for both *The Tonight Show* and *Saturday Night Live*. But recently, Steve told reporters, "I've fulfilled my dreams to the last inch as a stand-up comedian. In my head, it's over for me." The thrill is gone. How can America's favorite funnyman say he's finished?

It's not that he doesn't like the money. "I love money," he tells audiences. "I bought some pretty good stuff. Got me a $300 pair of socks . . . got a fur sink . . . let's see . . . an electric dog-polisher . . . a gasoline-powered turtleneck sweater . . . and of course I bought some dumb stuff, too."

But Steve confided to a reporter, "Movies are the thing — movies are it! If I can break into film, it's like . . . that's what I've always been going for, since age three, when I first saw Jerry Lewis on the screen." Steve is giving up stand-up comedy because he now has the chance to do what he's always wanted to do. He broke into film with a comedy short, *The Absent Minded Waiter*, which was nominated for an Academy Award. After that, he had a small role in the Frampton/Bee Gees *Sgt. Pepper* movie. He sang "Maxwell's Silver Hammer." Some critics thought that was the only high point of the movie. Then came the cameo role in *The Muppet Movie*, where Steve played a waiter.

Steve's talents have not gone unnoticed. He has gone from playing a small part as a waiter, to playing a starring role as a jerk. Universal Studios signed him up to write and star in two films; the first one, *The Jerk*, will be released this month.

The Jerk is the rags to riches and back to rags again story of nerdy Navin Johnson. Navin is a gas station attendant who accidentally becomes a millionaire by inventing "Opti-Grabs," a device that keeps eyeglasses from slipping down noses. Navin then sets out to spend his new-found fortune by buying such things as a ridiculously gaudy mansion full of plastic flowers. Steve's real-life girlfriend, Bernadette Peters, also stars in the film as Navin's true love.

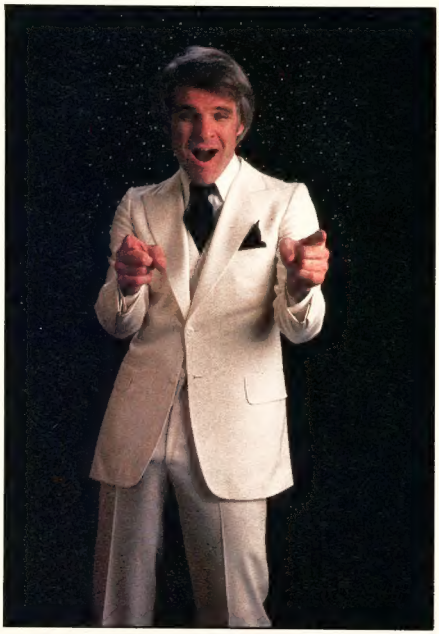
After *The Jerk*, Steve has also agreed to star in George *(Star Wars)* Lucas's mystery movie, *Radioland Murders*. Steve's third comedy album, *Comedy Is Not Pretty*, was released last fall, and Warner Brothers has signed him up to do three more. His first book of silly short stories, *Cruel Shoes*, is on the best-seller list. Steve Martin has made it!

Steve wasn't always successful, but he was always stage-struck. "By the age of five, I was entertaining," he told a reporter. "I'd watch the skits on *The Red Skelton Show*, memorize 'em, and then perform during 'show and tell' at school," Steve said. When he was 10, his family moved just two miles away from the newly-opened Disneyland. Steve walked over and landed a job that lasted eight years. He worked summers, weekends, and after school, selling guide books, phony noses, bunny ears, and magic tricks. Most important, he managed to sneak away to watch an old vaudeville comic, Wally Boag, who told jokes and made bal-

Universal City Studios

loon animals. Steve saw him perform three or four times a day and memorized his entire routine. He also took up the banjo. There wasn't much time for school, but Steve did manage to become a cheerleader in high school. His first writing experience came from writing cheers for the team — unfortunately, the other cheerleaders refused to use them!

At 18, Steve took an acting job at nearby Knott's Berry Farm where he got his act together. He did a mishmash of magic, music, and comedy four times a day. It was also where he met a girl named Stormy. She convinced him to go to college. Steve enrolled in Long Beach State College, majored in philosophy, and got straight A's for the first time in his life. Eventually, Steve quit philosophy to go back into the arts at UCLA, because with art, "you don't have to explain why or justify anything. If it works, it works."



Annie Leibovitz

Soon, Steve quit college for good, telling his professor that he was sorry, but unfortunately, he had a job writing for television.

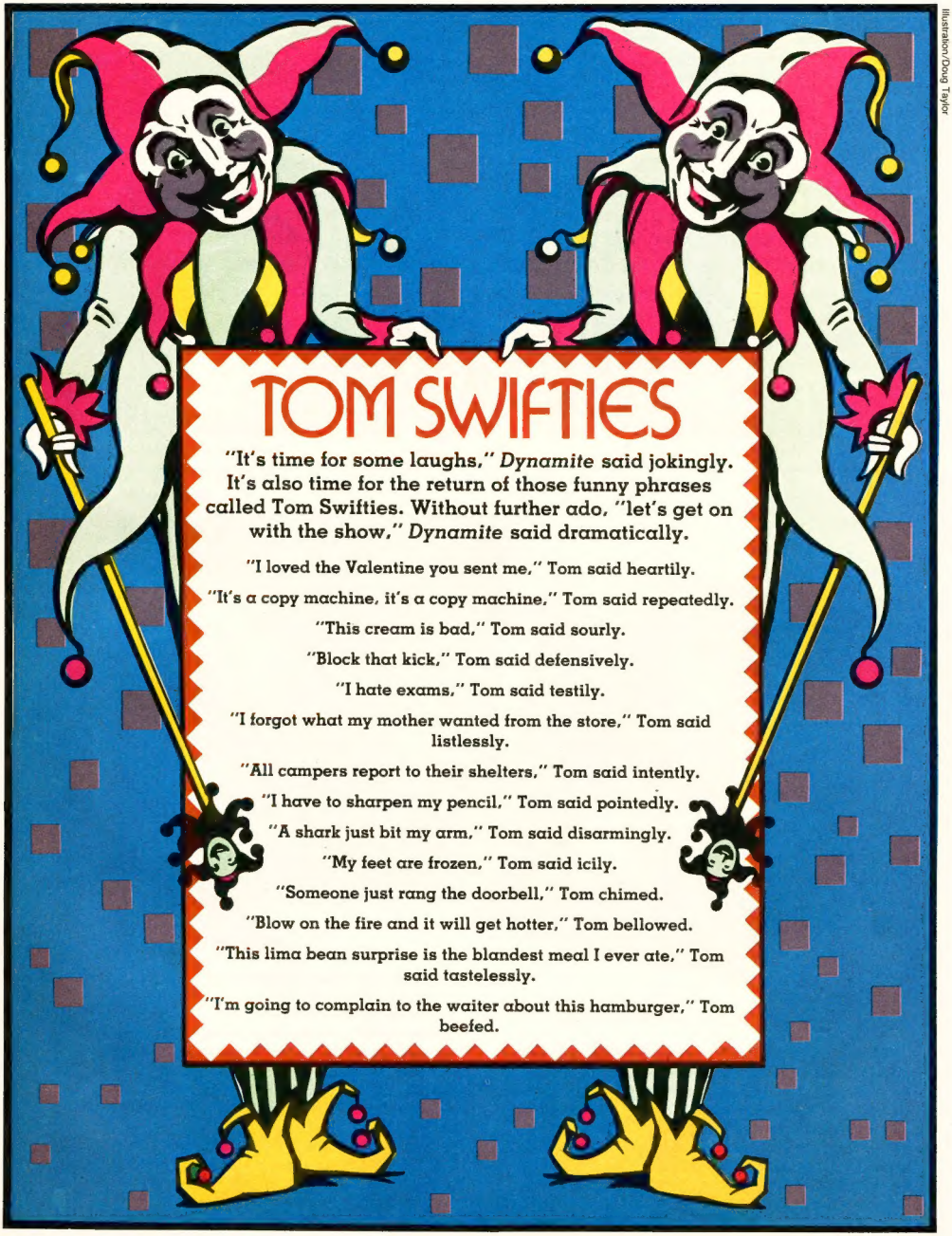
At age 21, he had been hired to write for the *Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour*, for which he won an Emmy award. That job led to other good jobs writing for Sonny and Cher, John Denver, Glen Campbell, and Dick Van Dyke. But Steve wasn't happy — he wanted to perform. Against everyone's advice, he quit and went back to nightclubs. The only jobs he could get were doing his act before rock concerts and by 1975, he had hit rock bottom.

As he got more depressed, his comedy got better. He started insulting his audiences, setting them up just to slap them down, conning them with his jokes and in general, making a fool of himself. And guess what? They loved it! He built his reputation as a wild and crazy guy by leading an audience of hundreds into a diner, demanding 274 burgers, and then at the last minute changing his order to one fries to go. Another time, he took his audience to an empty swimming pool, convinced them to get in, and then swam across their outstretched arms.

By the fall of 1975, he had a large, loyal fan club. He became known nationally with a live show on cable TV and his first guest-host spot on *Saturday Night Live*.

A millionaire today, Steve is still a very private person. A vegetarian and a serious art collector, Steve lives in a solar-heated home in Aspen, Colorado, with his two cats, Betty and Dr. Forbes. He doesn't socialize much — just an occasional game of horseshoes with next door neighbor, John Denver. The character he plays onstage is just that — a character he has fun doing. "And having fun is the most crucial, important thing there is," says Steve. The song he sings at every performance says it all:

"We're having some fun
We've got music and laughter and wonderful times . . .
But the most amazin' thing to me is
I get paid for doin' this." — Susan Hood



TOM SWIFTIES

"It's time for some laughs," *Dynamite* said jokingly. It's also time for the return of those funny phrases called Tom Swifties. Without further ado, "let's get on with the show," *Dynamite* said dramatically.

"I loved the Valentine you sent me," Tom said heartily.

"It's a copy machine, it's a copy machine," Tom said repeatedly.

"This cream is bad," Tom said sourly.

"Block that kick," Tom said defensively.

"I hate exams," Tom said testily.

"I forgot what my mother wanted from the store," Tom said listlessly.

"All campers report to their shelters," Tom said intently.

"I have to sharpen my pencil," Tom said pointedly.

"A shark just bit my arm," Tom said disarmingly.

"My feet are frozen," Tom said icily.

"Someone just rang the doorbell," Tom chimed.

"Blow on the fire and it will get hotter," Tom bellowed.

"This lima bean surprise is the blandest meal I ever ate," Tom said tastelessly.

"I'm going to complain to the waiter about this hamburger," Tom beefed.

Illustration/Doug Taylor

GIVE 'EM A BIG HAND!

Hands come in pretty handy when it comes to adding extra *oomph* to a sentence or expression. People all over the world talk with their hands — you probably use yours every day! But, do you really know what your hands are saying? And, did you know that the same hand gesture that gets you a laugh in one country could very easily get you arrested in another country? *Dynamite* doesn't want you to take chances, so we're handing you this handy guide to hand talk!

GESTURES!

"FANTASTIC!"

This gesture is over 2,000 years old and comes from ancient Greece and Rome. In those days people were forbidden to touch the religious idols they worshipped. Instead, they would "blow a kiss" in the direction of the statue to show their love and devotion. Later, French nobles used the same gesture as a flashy way of telling the king, "I am your humble slave." Today, it's just a fun, informal way of saying someone or something is fantastic!

"OKAY!"

People have been giving this sign of approval since the 1st Century, A.D. Where did the word, "okay," come from? Here are some explanations: — it was an abbreviation of an accidental misspelling of "All correct," written as "Oll Korrect."
— it was the initials of an Indian Chief, Old Keokuk, who signed American treaties with his initials.
— it's from an Indian word, "oke," which means, "it is so."
— it's the opposite of K.O. (knocked out).

In France, this gesture means "zero" or "worthless," or "no good." When the French want to say "Okay," they use the thumbs-up gesture instead.

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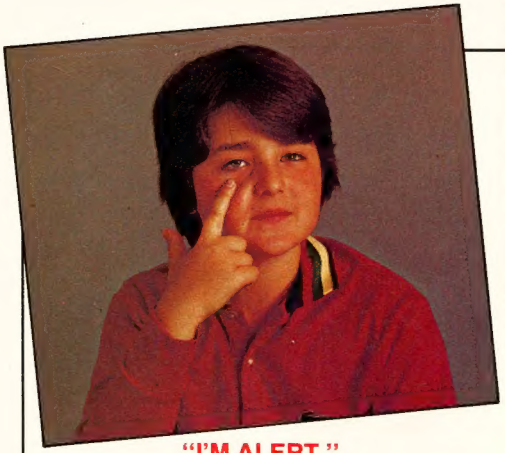

"I'M ALERT."

In many countries — France, Greece, Spain, and Italy — this means "I'm alert," "Be alert," or "Pay attention." In France, it also means "I'm so bored, I can hardly keep my eyes open," or "My eye!" which means, "I don't believe you."

"TASTY!"

This gesture usually goes with the Italian saying, "on the tooth," which means something is just right for eating. But, it can also mean "beautiful" because it's like making dimples, which are often considered beautiful. Again, be careful. In Germany, this is a secret way of saying, "You're crazy!" And, if you just move your finger up by your temple and twirl it around you could be arrested for public insult!

"WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?"

This is the strongest meaning of this gesture and it comes from Italy. By bringing the fingers together in a point and shaking the hand up and down too, you are saying that you are getting impatient. But, be careful where you use this hand sign because it has several meanings. In Greece it means, "It's good." In France, it means, "I'm scared!" In North Africa it means, "Go slowly," and in the Mediterranean Islands it means, "No good!"

"FEELING GOOD!"

Most people think this one came from the gladiator fights in ancient Rome. The story goes that if the loser had fought well the crowd would spare his life with a thumbs-up gesture. Thumbs down meant bad news for the loser. What really happened was this: when the crowd showed their thumbs up, down, or sideways it meant the gladiator didn't deserve to live. Hiding the thumbs away or putting them down meant he should be allowed to live. In our language the meaning for the word "up" is optimistic and positive. The meaning for the word "down" is pessimistic and negative. Somehow through time the meanings got reversed!

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Dynamite's Seriously Silly Awards for 1979

The end is near — the end of the year, that is. Before 1979 becomes a golden oldie, we'd like to take a moment to recap some of the highlights, memorable moments, and personalities of 1979. So before you say hello to 1980, take a short stroll down *Dynamite*'s memory lane. As you can see, as far as silliness was concerned, it was a fine '79.

ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR

It has to be Robin Williams, star of *Mork and Mindy*. Last year, everyone was saying Steve Martin's line, "Excuuuuse Me!" This year everyone's mouthing Mork-isms such as "nanu nanu" and "shazbot." Anyone who can reduce so many people to babbling baby talk has got to be special!

PET ROCK AWARD

New York City is supposed to have excellent tap water. It comes out of faucets for free, but two enterprising businessmen have decided to bottle the stuff and sell it for $2.50 a bottle! They call it "Celebrated New York Water, The Drink of Millions." We call it hog wash.

THE WEIRD WORLD OF SPORTS

Adventurers and daredevils were at it again in 1979. Swimmer Diana Nyad braved sharks, jellyfish, and dangerous currents as she swam 89 miles from the Bahamas to Florida in 27 hours. Kevin Anderson, 12, became the youngest person ever to swim the English Channel. An American, Bryan Allen, crossed the Channel in a different way — pedalling his 70-pound homemade plane. Another American, Gerry Speiss, spent his summer vacation crossing the Atlantic in a tiny 10-foot boat.

Less dangerous attempts to get into the record books included a Massachusetts man who caught a grape in his mouth — after it had been thrown from 270 feet away! A New Yorker did 27,000 consecutive jumping jacks, and an ex-marine, J.C. Stare, could have danced all night and all day, too. His record-breaking dance marathon lasted 332 hours!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

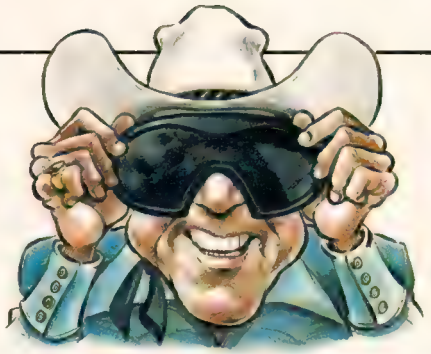
That's the only kind of food allowed in Ocean Beach, New York. To keep things clean, the town banned all eating outdoors. At first, public eating of cookies, ice cream, and other snacks was banned. Finally the town allowed cookies and ice cream, but no burgers, pizza, or hot dogs. Fines run up to $250. As one town official said about the law, "It makes us look like a bunch of bozos." Well, he said it!

KOJAK CRIME-FIGHTING AWARD

It can only go to the Florida Highway patrol. Their speed radar clocked an object going 86 miles an hour. Too bad the object was a tree that was standing still! Signals from CB radios had jammed the radar and caused it to go a little crazy. When pointed at a house, the meter read 28 miles an hour!

WHO ORDERED THE FROGS?

A special good taste award goes to restaurant owners in Munster, France. To get customers to buy expensive bottled water they did not put glasses of water on tables. Local officials ruled they must put out pitchers or glasses of water. The owners did as they were told — except they put frogs, shrimp, and goldfish in them, too! Yeccchh!



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WHO WAS THAT MASKED MAN BEHIND THOSE FOSTER GRANTS?

It was Clayton Moore, the actor who played The Lone Ranger. It turns out someone else owns the rights to The Lone Ranger. They sued Moore to keep him from wearing his mask. A judge ruled against Moore and The Lone Ranger couldn't break the law, could he? No way. The Lone Ranger just slipped off the mask and slipped on a new pair of sunglasses — shaped just like his mask!

COMEBACK OF THE YEAR

This award goes to a fad whose time has come again — roller skating. Roller skating is back and bigger than ever. It's also more expensive than ever! A pair of cowboy-boot skates in California was selling for over $200! No cheapskates need apply.

TAXING PROBLEMS

Run a small business? No matter how small it is, don't forget to give your Uncle Sam his share. Billy Halliwell, 11, of Roseland, NJ, and 12-year-old Jody Gerard found that out. Billy ran a coffee wagon and served customers who were stuck on long gas lines. Jody sold worms to fishermen for 35 cents a dozen. Billy was making three to four dollars a day and Jody made about a buck. Before long, tax officials showed up demanding their share of sales tax. Billy's bill came to 21¢ and Jody's was 64¢. That's what we call giving kids the business! — Chip Lovitt

WINTER WARM-UPS!

What's cold on the outside and warm on the inside? You! When you try *Dynamite*'s winter chill chasers! It's a snap to chase the chills away just by pouring any cold drink into a saucepan and warming it over a low heat on the stove. Mix up a batch of any of these tasty, toasty drinks, and when the temperature drops, your spirits will rise!

CHILI CHASER

1 cup hot tomato juice
chili powder (You decide how much!)
popcorn

Pour hot tomato juice into a big mug. Sprinkle chili powder into mug and stir. Top with popcorn. Drink up and warm up!

RED HOT IN A HURRY!

2 teaspoons of sugar
pinch of cinnamon
1 cup warm, but not boiling, milk
1 small pat of butter
candy red hots

Mix the sugar and cinnamon together in a mug. Pour on the warm milk. Stir well. Drop in some red hots. Top with the butter. Wait until the butter melts a little. Drink a toast to winter!

FLOATING TROPICAL ISLAND

1 cup of your favorite hot chocolate
1 scoop of your favorite ice cream
1 teaspoon of shredded coconut
1 teaspoon of crushed pineapple

Pour your hot chocolate into a mug. Top it with ice cream. Sprinkle your ice cream island with coconut and crushed pineapple. Sip your tropical treat and dream of warm Hawaiian island winds!

WARM ADE ON THE WAY!

1 cup warm lemonade
1 orange slice
1 tablespoon raisins
mini-marshmallows

Pour the lemonade into a mug. Squeeze the orange slice into the drink and drop the slice in. Add the raisins and the marshmallows. Stir, sip, and spoon out the lemony tasting tidbits at the bottom!

TEA-RRIFFIC!

1 cup of your favorite tea (herb, mint, or regular)
2 teaspoons of honey
½ chopped pear (fresh or canned)

Pour the tea into a mug. Add the honey and stir in the chopped pear pieces. Wait a minute for the fruit to soak up the taste of the tea. Go ahead and attack your tea-rrific snack!

PEANUT BUTTER CUP WARM-UP

2 tablespoons peanut butter
1 cup hot chocolate
whipped cream
chopped peanuts

Place the peanut butter in a mug and pour the hot chocolate over it. Stir it, but don't worry if the peanut butter doesn't melt. Top with whipped cream and nuts. Dig in with a spoon and say "Nuts!" to winter winds!

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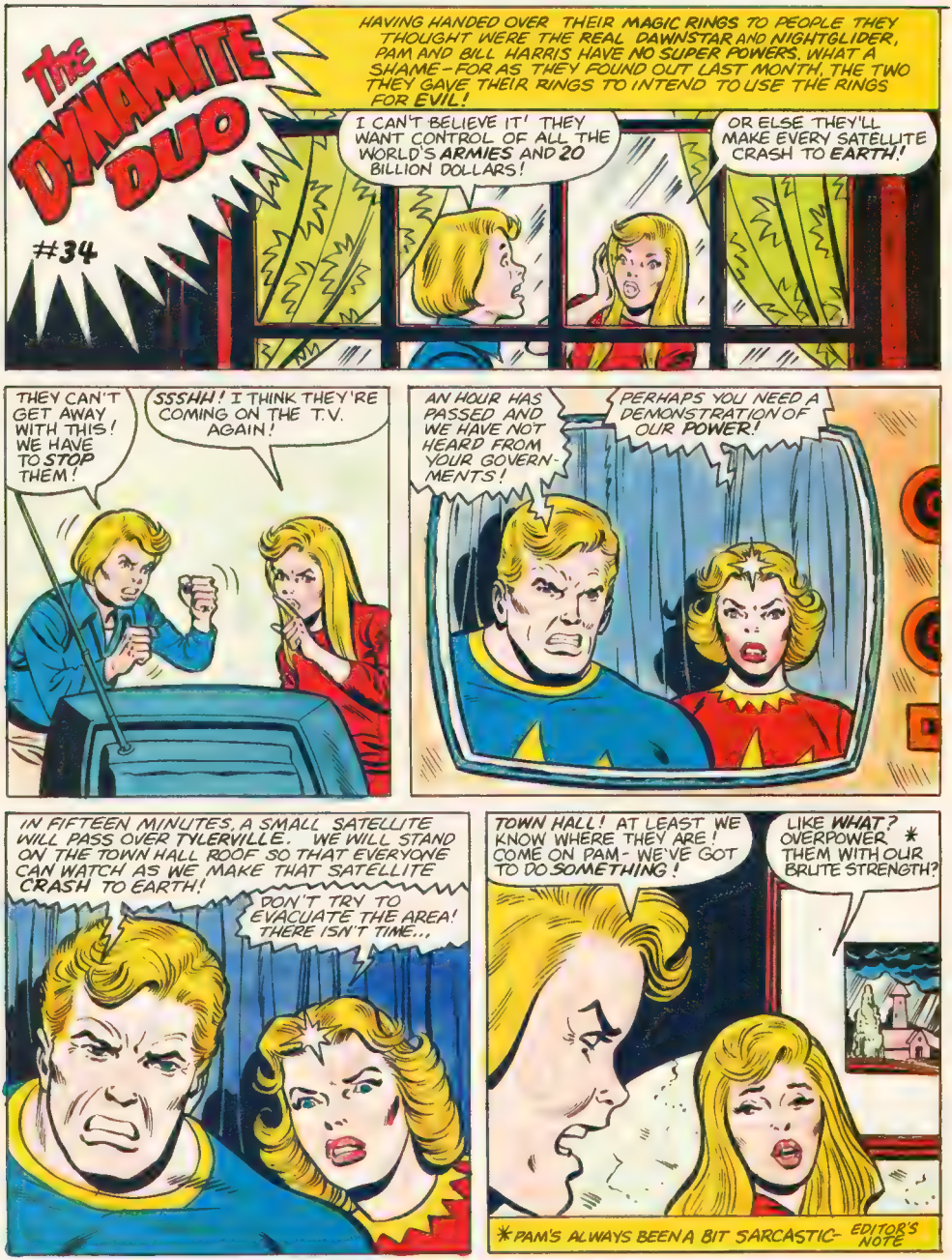
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HAVING HANDED OVER THEIR MAGIC RINGS TO PEOPLE THEY THOUGHT WERE THE REAL DAWNSTAR AND NIGHTGLIDER, PAM AND BILL HARRIS HAVE NO SUPER POWERS. WHAT A SHAME - FOR AS THEY FOUND OUT LAST MONTH, THE TWO THEY GAVE THEIR RINGS TO INTEND TO USE THE RINGS FOR EVIL!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! THEY WANT CONTROL OF ALL THE WORLD'S ARMIES AND 20 BILLION DOLLARS!
OR ELSE THEY'LL MAKE EVERY SATELLITE CRASH TO EARTH!
THEY CAN'T GET AWAY WITH THIS! WE HAVE TO STOP THEM!
SSSHH! I THINK THEY'RE COMING ON THE T.V. AGAIN!
AN HOUR HAS PASSED AND WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM YOUR GOVERNMENTS!
PERHAPS YOU NEED A DEMONSTRATION OF OUR POWER!
IN FIFTEEN MINUTES A SMALL SATELLITE WILL PASS OVER TYLERVILLE. WE WILL STAND ON THE TOWN HALL ROOF SO THAT EVERYONE CAN WATCH AS WE MAKE THAT SATELLITE CRASH TO EARTH!
DON'T TRY TO EVACUATE THE AREA! THERE ISN'T TIME...
TOWN HALL! AT LEAST WE KNOW WHERE THEY ARE! COME ON PAM - WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!
LIKE WHAT? OVERPOWER * THEM WITH OUR BRUTE STRENGTH?
* PAM'S ALWAYS BEEN A BIT SARCASTIC- EDITOR'S NOTE

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Inside scoops are *Dynamite*'s specialty, and this month our super scoop snoops have dug up some real gems about some of the jewels of the celebrity crowd!

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Hot Line London . . .

Superman's powers have rubbed off on super **Superman** star **Christopher Reeve!** Chris is using all his star-power to make sure the script of **Superman II** is just the way he wants it. He flexed his muscles to make sure the new movie keeps **Lois Lane** and her Super friend *just* friends . . . Speaking of super stars, everybody's favorite **Muppet** starlette, **Miss Piggy,** is becoming bigger than ever! (No offense, Miss Piggy.) She didn't mean to hog the whole show with her starring role in **The Muppet Movie,** but there are thousands who think the divine Miss P. should be nominated for **Best Actress** at the **Academy Awards** next April! Could it really happen to a Muppet? Well, most actors and actresses are real hams at heart, so why not let the biggest ham of all win? Win or not, Miss Piggy is already scheduled to play a major role in the next Muppet movie! Can't wait, can you?

Hot Line Hollywood . . .

Speaking of stars that are out of this world (and we definitely think Miss Piggy is!), **Robin Williams** has been giving his new co-stars on **Mork** the royal Orkan har har treatment! Says **Jay Thomas,** who plays Remo DaVinci, the deli owner, "I think Robin Williams is really from outer space. I truly believe that. He knows things that other humans don't know!" . . . Well, one thing we'll bet Robin didn't know is this silly bit of inside stuff about **CHiPs** star **Erik Estrada:** Erik goes to the dentist every 60 days to get his teeth cleaned! The dental bills must be big, but Erik's smile is worth a million (in poster sales alone!) . . . Did someone say a million? That's chicken feed compared to some of the money figures that have been floating around Tinseltown. The latest dollars figured for the movie called **The Blues Brothers,** starring **John Belushi** and **Dan Aykroyd,** is 16 million! That much to make a movie! No wonder it costs so much to get into the theater!

NBC

Music Notes and More . . .

Kiss may be kissing their makeup good-bye! **Gene Simmons** has already been photographed without his face painted and the rest of the group just may go for the "natural look" too! . . . And talk about changing faces, have you seen the bearded **Grease** star **John Travolta?** What do you think? The beard is for his film **Urban Cowboy,** not for a part in the second **Saturday Night Fever.** John said no to that movie offer! What else is new? New York, New Jersey, New Mexico, but that's about it for this month, except for the birthdays, of course!

Birthday wishes this month go to:

Rod Stewart (1/10) Send cards c/o: Warner Bros. Records, 3300 Warner Blvd., Burbank, CA 91510.

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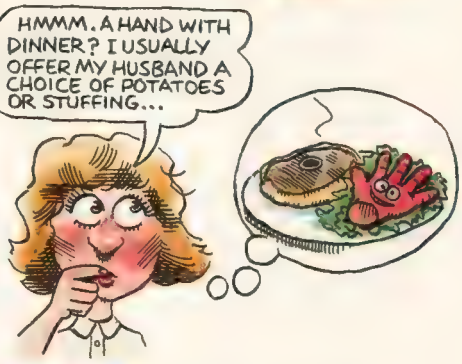

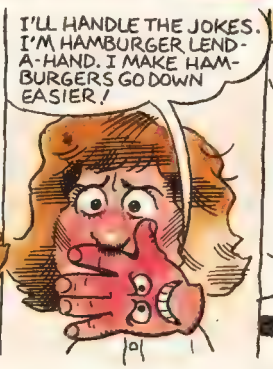

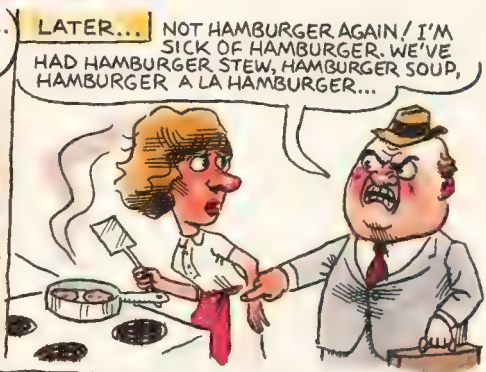

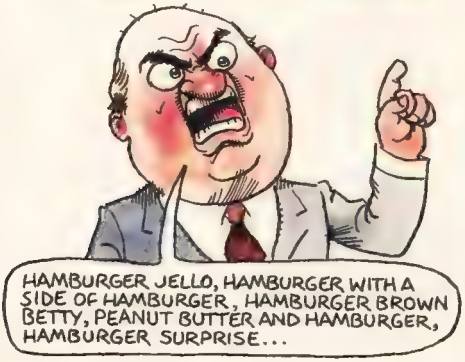

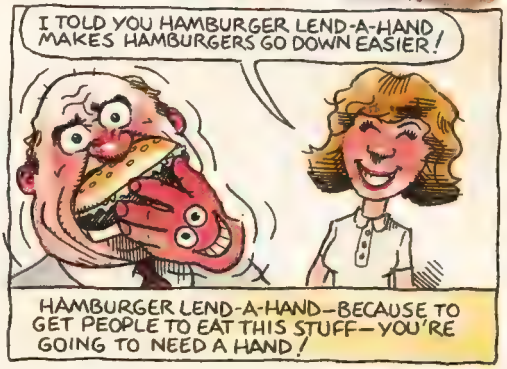

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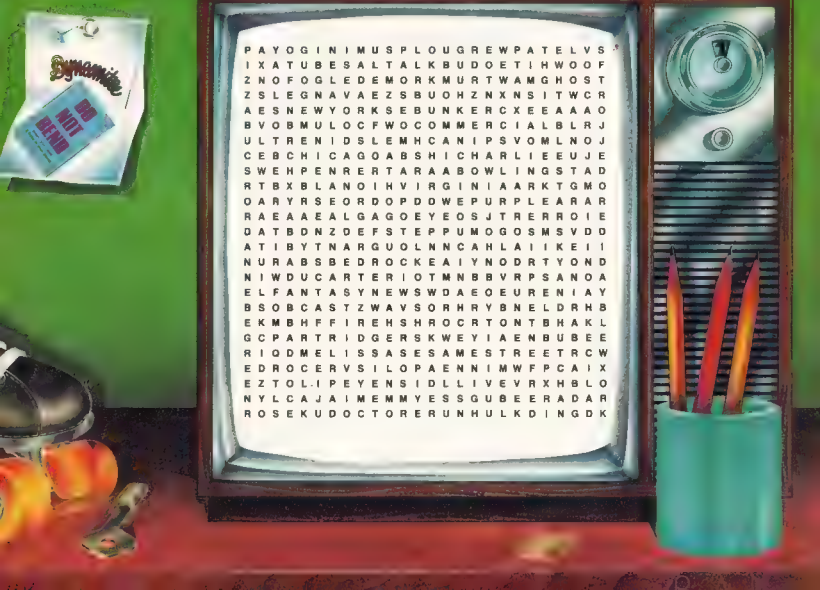
Dynamite's Biggest TV Event!

Without commercial interruption *Dynamite* presents a television extravaganza! It's a hit series of 100 bits of TV trivia hidden in this giant puzzle. Using the clues given, look up, down, backward, forward, and diagonally for all kinds of people, places, and things that have to do with television. Circle the answers as you find them, then give yourself a point for each correct one. This one's as easy as ABC, CBS, and NBC!

Answers Inside Back Cover

Puzzle: Sonia Black Illustration: Gary Crane

1. Kojak's favorite candy on a stick.
2. Baretta's feathered friend.
3. CBS symbol (hint: You see with it.)
4. Sudsy daytime opera.
5. TV intermission.
6. Repeat, *What's Happening!* character.
7. Trial show; one who flies plane.
8. _____ ratings.
9. Muppet frog.
10. The Fonz's job.
11. Donnie Osmond's favorite color.
12. Mr. Jefferson's and Washington's first names.
13. _____. is Enough.
14. Flintstone's hometown.
15. Six Million Dollar _____.
16. Edith Bunker is this kind of bat.
17. Lucy and Ricky's last name.
18. Chit chat entertainment, _____ shows.
19. What Alice waits on.
20. Flintstone's little girl; also small stones.
21. Group of stars; also what's worn on a broken leg.
22. Andy Kaufman is in this show.
23. Casper, the friendly one.
24. *Laverne and Shirley*'s famous brew.
25. Gary Coleman's character.
26. Laverne's pop's product. (hint: Italian pie.)
27. Mindy's best pal.
28. TV's Oscar award, also nickname for Emily.
29. Where Mork is from.
30. Carol Burnett's tug thing. (hint: You hear with it.)
31. ABC, NBC, and CBS are major ones.
32. *The Wonderful World of* _____.
33. Name of one of Odd Couple, also Academy Award trophy.
34. Mystery Boys.
35. David Banner's incredible half.
36. Popeye's power in a can.
37. *Good Times* town (hint: Big city in Illinois.)
38. _____ of Hazzard.
39. The _____ Shadow.
40. Dream Island.
41. Jimmy Walker's name on *Good Times*.
42. Charlie's heavenly employees.
43. *Little House* town.
44. NBC's Saturday Night _____.
45. *Good Times* mom's first name, also southern state where oranges grow.
46. Heavenly star Smith.
47. Cruise ship show. (2 words)
48. Name of road where Big Bird lives.
49. Star Trek space ship, U.S.S. _____
50. Robert Young's Marcus _____, M.D.
51. What Florence is to *The Jeffersons*.
52. Short for Kristy's *Family* name, Buddy.
53. *Eight Is Enough*'s little Rich boy's first name.
54. Miss Piggy is just one.
55. Ferrigno's first name.
56. Unseen by Angels' eyes.
57. Chachi's relationship to Fonz.
58. The Little House has two, Gilbert and Anderson.
59. Short series or short skirt.
60. Bionic woman's first name, _____ Sommers.
61. Wonder Woman, Lynda _____; also President Jimmy _____.
62. Game right up Laverne and Shirley's alley.
63. Cartoon bear with same name as baseball man Berra.
64. *Happy Days*' Aasay-1 mechanic!
65. Andy and Opie's hometown.
66. Lobo's job.
67. Lucille Ball's fiery hair color.
68. Loretta Swit's M A S H rank.
69. Signal-sending M A S H ster.
70. John Travolta's class role, Vinnie _____.
71. Game show, Pass _____.
72. Flintstone's prehistoric pet; short for dinosaur.
73. Fred Flintstone's fave phrase. (3 words).
74. Detective in a wrinkled raincoat, Lt. _____.
75. Grizzly star, _____ Haggerty.
76. Grizzly bear's name, short for Benjamin.
77. John-Boy Walton's job.
78. John-Boy's new city home, where *Dynamite* staff works.
79. Walton state; also a girls' name.
80. *The Waltons*' oldest son. (2 words)
81. Singing TV family. The _____ Family, with David Cassidy.
82. Marcia, Cindy, Jan, Greg, Peter, Bobby (2 words)
83. Brady maid's name.
84. *Mary Tyler Moore Show* city in Minnesota.
85. Mary Richards' bossman, now has his own show (2 words)
86. 8 o'clock and 11 o'clock show.
87. Johnny Fever on *WKRP in Cincinnati* will play one.
88. Barney Miller's precinct number; also noon or midnight number.
89. David Banner's old profession, _____ as Marcus Welby's.
90. Hulk color.
91. Beep, beep cartoon bird.
92. One _____ at a Time.
93. Soul and Glaser. (3 words)
94. Nickname for the gang in Kotter's Class.
95. B J and the _____.
96. Archie's last name.
97. Alice's restaurant's name.
98. Cartoon bunny.
99. Van Patten and Van Dyke.
100. Ricky Ricardo's native land.



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4. My best friend — She loves the punch-outs, but won't admit it 'cause she's 10	☒ Wow ☐ Dynamite ☐ Bananas
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6. Me! (I hate making decisions.)	☒ Wow ☒ Dynamite ☒ Bananas

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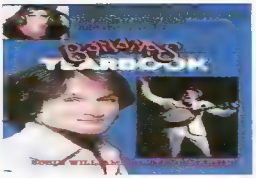

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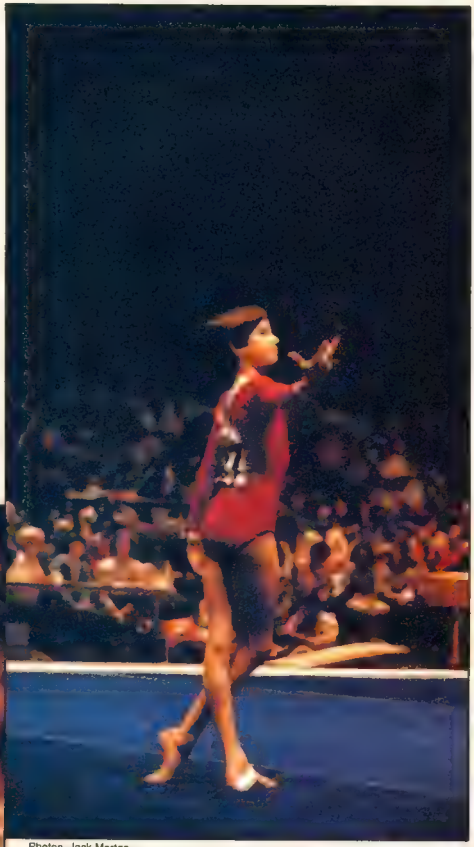
Tracee Talavera

Can She Swing the Olympics?

Tracee will be the youngest person ever to make the United States Olympic gymnastics team if she does make it. She entered her very first international competition less than a year ago, by default. One of the top gymnasts in the country, Rhonda Swandt, had just had a knee operation and couldn't go. Tracee took her place and stunned the world by winning the balance beam and the uneven parallel bars and placing third overall! Since then, 13-year-old Tracee has won an impressive string of firsts and thirds all over the country and there is almost no doubt she will make the Olympic team at the trials in May. She may even take home a few medals! What does it take to go for the gold? *Dynamite* has been following Tracee's progress since her spectacular debut last March. Here's her story.



Photos Jack Mertes

Tracee takes a special dance class designed for gymnasts to teach her to move gracefully. This is very important — especially in the floor exercises.

We first talked with Tracee right after her victory at the American Cup competition in New York. As we walked into the hotel room, we found Tracee perched on the end of the bed, watching the performance she had just given, being aired on TV. "She's never seen herself on TV before," explained her coach, Linda Metheney Mulvihill. Talking with Tracee, we learned that she started training at gymnastics clubs in California when she was eight years old. "My older sister was into it and I wanted to do what she did," said Tracee. Two years later, Tracee left home to live and train in Eugene, Oregon, with Linda, a three-time Olympic gymnast. How do her parents feel about that? "Oh, they're just as enthusiastic as Tracee is," Linda told us. "We don't recruit. Tracee's parents came to us and asked us if we'd take her and train her." Now, although her mother and her grandmother call once a week, Tracee sees her family only about four times a year.

Did Linda see Tracee's potential right away? "No, not fully," she said. "But the biggest thing we look for is the desire and the determination to do well. A lot of girls have talent that isn't developed. Tracee had the enthusiasm and the desire to excel."

Training for the Olympics involves long, hard hours of practice. "I go to school all morning, to the gym all afternoon, then I just go home, eat supper, and go to bed," Tracee told us.

"And do homework," Linda reminded her.

"Yeah," said Tracee, who goes to the local junior high school. Being a star means having to do everything other kids do and more! Tracee needs to practice all four events (floor exercises, uneven bars, balance beam, and vault) every day for about six hours. What happens when Tracee is having trouble with a move? "Well, usually she's so coordinated she doesn't have that problem," Linda explained. "But she takes criticism really well. She understands it's to help her and she'll try anything. If I told her to go climb up the wall sideways, she'd try it!"

All that hard work has really paid off for Tracee. One of the benefits of being a world class gymnast is the fun of traveling all over the country and all over the world. Depending on the country and the amount of time they have, gymnasts can do some sightseeing. "You make friends all over the world," Tracee said, "and that's fun." Usually everyone trades a pin from her country or club but the favorite thing to do is to trade warm-ups or leotards. "One of Tracee's favorite stories is about the time she traded one of her best leotards with a little Russian girl," said Linda. "What does she get in return? This purple and yellow and orange one that was probably made at a tent and awning company, it's so huge! Tracee laughs about that one all the time!"

If you think all this traveling gets expensive, you're right! Add on the cost of training tuition, room, and board, and it costs the average gymnast's parents from 6 – 7 thousand dollars a year. "The United States is the only country that doesn't have some support from the government for its athletes," Linda told us. "Private companies will sometimes help supply equipment for meets, but individuals don't get any kind of financial assistance. It makes it very hard on the parents. I don't think it will change unless the importance placed on sports here changes. Being a top gymnast in Russia means a lot more than it does here."

Perhaps that's one of the reasons the Russian girls will be Tracee's biggest competition at the Moscow Olympics next summer. But Linda is confident about Tracee's abilities. "I think Tracee is such a good all-around performer that by then she could be in the top six all-around and could win medals on the uneven bars and on the balance beam. And Tracee is only 13 — most gymnasts don't really reach their peak until they're 17 or 18. Most girls make their first and only Olympic team at that age. If Tracee's interest continues and she's free from serious injury, she has a shot at three Olympic teams — she's the exception." And why not? Tracee is an exceptional gymnast!

— Susan Hood

TEST YOURSELF —

Are You Polite?

Do you mind your manners? Or, more important, are your manners so bad that *other* people mind them? To find out for sure just how polite you really are, take this mild-mannered test. Circle the answers that seem right to you, add up your score, and find out if you *have* social grace or if you *are* a social *dis*grace!

1. Someone at the dinner table asks you to please pass the baked potatoes. You:
a. pick one up, throw it to the other end of the table, and yell, "Touchdown!"
b. get up, walk past the potatoes, and say, "There, I passed them!" then sit down.
c. load up your own plate, smile innocently, and say, "Sorry, I guess there weren't enough to go around."

2. You're a guest at a party and you find a long hair in the onion dip. You:
a. hold it up and yell, "Bingo!"
b. comment on the fact that this proves what you've always thought: only a real dip would wear a toupée or hairpiece.
c. bring it to the hostess and wink as you say, "So this is the secret ingredient you were bragging about!"

3. You're having a party and when the first guest arrives you:
a. take his coat — and sell it!
b. tell him to make himself at home and he can start by taking out the garbage!
c. offer him a chair, then say you can let him have it for $39.95!

4. You're eating dinner at a friend's house and can't finish everything on your plate. You:
a. point out the window and shout, "Hey! Look at that!" then empty your plate into the table centerpiece while all heads are turned.
b. stuff what's left in your socks and hope your story about swollen ankles sounds convincing.
c. put a dead bug on your plate and quietly point to it as you tell the hostess that you don't eat meat.

5. At a school dance your dance partner accidentally steps on your foot. You:
a. step back and scream in Steve Martin style, "Well excu-u-u-se you!"
b. say, "I walk on my feet but that doesn't mean you can walk on them too!"
c. stamp on your partner's foot and yell, "Gotcha last!"

6. You're a guest at a formal dinner party and you don't know anyone there. To break the ice you:
a. pull out a sledgehammer and start hitting the freezer.
b. knock over the punchbowl and scream, "It punched me first!"
c. put a lampshade on your head and tell everyone how very bright you are.

7. Your best friend's sister just bought an expensive new outfit for school — purple sequined pants, an olive-green lace blouse, and high-heeled sneakers made of orange and pink suede. You:
a. tell her you love it and that it's the most clever Halloween costume you've ever seen.
b. ask her where she bought it, then tell her how smart she is to shop at a store that takes returns.
c. tell her you haven't seen anything like it since your dog got sick on the living room rug.

8. Someone sitting next to you sneezes. You:
a. pull out your umbrella and say, "I didn't know it was supposed to rain today."
b. scream, "Germ warfare!" and run for cover.
c. call an ambulance.

HOW TO FIND YOUR SCORE:
Give yourself 5 points for each time you choose a, 10 points for each b, and 20 points for each c.

Results:
0–40: Your manners are perfect — if you're planning to move to the monkey cage at the city zoo. At a party you're a real ham. Some might even say you're a pig. Consider being a sandwich instead of a guest.

41–80: Your score indicates that you have a lot to learn about being polite. Try to always remember these words of wisdom: You can pick your friends and you can pick your teeth, but you can't pick your friend's teeth. Good luck!

81–160: Congratulations! Your manners are out of this world! (Too bad they didn't stay there.) There's no denying the fact that you know how to act in public. In fact, it's your acting that makes people think you're polite. Good luck in show business!

Text: Linda Aber Illustration/Sally Vitsky

HOT STUFF

WIN A TEE FOR FREE! Do you have a hot idea that's cool enough to be called Hot Stuff? Here's your chance to win your very own Hot Stuff T-Shirt just like the one worn only by the *Dynamite* staff! Just send in your idea for a hot Gotcha, a tasty treat, a room gloom remedy, a fashion fad, or a terrific trick. We read every idea we get, but we only pick the Hottest ones to print. Send your ideas, along with your name, address, and T-shirt size to: Hot Stuff/*Dynamite*, 50 W. 44th St., New York, NY 10036. (Remember, you can't buy a Hot-Stuff T-Shirt, you have to win it!)

U Great Big Beautiful Gotcha U!

U R 2 cute 2 B 4 got 10. That's what your friends will be saying when you fill them in on this U-nique Gotcha! And we always say, when you've got a good Gotcha, flaunt it!

All you need is a pad, a pencil, and a story. The story goes like this. Walk up to your victim and say, "That face! What a great face! Do you mind if I sketch a portrait of you? I've been taking an art class and the teacher says I'm pretty good. I'd just love to draw you." Then whip out your pencil and start sketching. Hold up the pad so your victim can't see it. Take your time and look up occasionally to study your friend's face. At long last you say, "I finished you!" Your victim will beg to see, and when you turn your pad around, hold it up and say, "U asked for it, U got it! And I Gotcha!" So what's the joke? The joke is that instead of sketching a portrait of the person in front of you, you sketched a big letter U! Get it? You said you wanted to draw a portrait of "U" — just because they thought you said "you" isn't your problem, is it?

Better run after this one, U rascal U!

Patricia Carroll of Suffield, MA, wins a Hot Stuff T-shirt for getting us with this bea-U-tiful Gotcha!

We Paws For This Pet Announcement!

Attention, animal lovers everywhere! You can help prevent cruelty to animals just by knowing more about how to care for them. Everyone knows that animals can be our best friends and you can be a good friend to them if you learn what makes them happy and keeps them healthy. *Dynamite* has discovered three info-filled booklets that you can send for.

Pet Care tells you what dogs, cats, birds, and fish need to stay well. It also tells you why wild animals don't make good pets. For more detailed information, you can also send for the booklets, *Caring for Your Dog* or *Caring for Your Cat*. The first one tells you everything you need to know about caring for puppies, getting a license, what to feed your dog, how to bathe it, and how to give it the proper exercise. It also includes helpful hints on training and what kinds of illnesses to watch out for. *Caring for Your Cat* explains about the different kinds of cats and tells how to choose the one that's right for you. Also inside, you'll find information on the care of small kittens, feeding, training, grooming, and common illnesses. Just send 15¢ for each booket to cover the costs of postage and handling to: Humane Society of the United States, 2100 L St., NW, Washington, DC 20037. (Remember, you can't order these from *Dynamite*.)

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4 Quick Tricks to Cheer Someone Who's Sick!

Winter weather means winter colds. And when a cold gets you down, a few laughs go a long way toward cheering you up! If you know someone who's feeling under the weather, quick — before that someone turns into an old pill — try one or more of our sure cures below.

Give your friends:

* *3 Wishes*, or more! Get the gang together to autograph a plain white T-shirt with get-well wishes. Use indelible ink so your wishes won't wash out. Wrap it up and drop it off at his or her front door to show your friend you think he or she is T-rrific!

* *Personalized Sneezer Pleasers.* Please the sneezer in your family with his or her very own monogrammed tissues! Just write his or her initials on each tissue with a pen. Tie a ribbon around a packet of them and hand them over. Now that's something to sneeze at!

* *A Rosy Outlook.* Brighten your friend's outlook on life by sneaking a red-colored light blub in the bedside lamp sometime when he or she is out of bed for a few minutes. For more fun, put a blue lightbulb in another lamp and a yellow one in another and your friend is sure to say — yup, you guessed it — "You light up my life!"

* *The Giggles.* The joke's on your friend, literally, when you plant jokes in and around his or her bed. Take several small pieces of paper and fold them in half. Write the joke on the outside and the punchline on the inside. Consult old joke books and copies of *Dynamite.* Put the jokes under the pillow, between the sheets, or under the glass on the nightstand. Being sick is never fun, but thanks to you it can be funny!

Stop-'Em-In-Their-Tracks Facts!

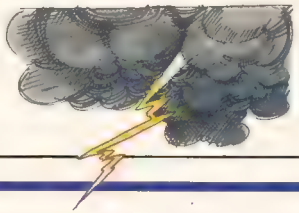
A little knowledge can take you a long way when it comes to showing up the show-offs who think they know it all! Next time a know-it-all attacks you with facts, attack back with one of these Stop-'Em-In-Their-Tracks Facts!

* It takes 43 muscles to frown, but only 17 muscles to smile. Next time you catch someone frowning, tell him or her to smile — it's easier!

* If you're having a thunderstorm right now, you're not alone. Right this minute — and every minute — there are 1,800 thunderstorms taking place around the world!

* Years ago, in Boston, it was against the law to take a bath more than once a week! (Hey! what do you mean you're moving to Boston? We said that was *years ago*!)

* Next time someone claims to be "at a loss for words," tell him or her they're full of baloney! The English language has the largest vocabulary of any language. There are 800,000 English words, in fact!

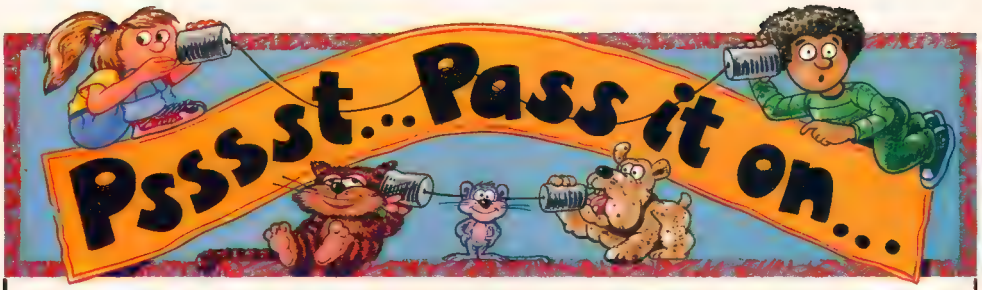


Take the Dynamite Dare!

Betcha can't do it! Oh yeah? Yeah! Go ahead and try. Just try to fold an ordinary piece of notebook paper in half — eight times! Having a bit of trouble? Told you you couldn't do it!

Don't tell anyone, but we can't do it either. Nobody can. It's just one of those little things in life that sounds so easy — until you try it! Do you know any others? Send them to Hot Stuff and if we print yours, we'll send you a Hot Stuff T-shirt!

Our thanks to Paula Gigich of Delmont, PA, for this trivia tidbit!



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Dear *Dynamite*,

This is really to Harlan York who wrote about *Battlestar Galactica* in *Dynamite* #64. My brother went to California a while ago. He took a tour of Universal Studios and was told that they may show *Battlestar Galactica* once or twice a month instead of every week. I like the show too, so here's hoping I'm right!

A.L.E., Detroit, MI

Dear A.L.E.,

Thanks for the interesting inside info! Lots of kids who liked the show and were sorry to see it cancelled will be hoping you're right too!

Dynamite

Dear *Dynamite*,

How dare you! How could you promote disco (Dynamite #56, Disco Party issue)? Do you people ever listen to the stuff? It's computer music, not fit for human listening! Disco has no class at all — its beat is too regular, the lyrics have no real meaning, and in my opinion disco is corrupting our society! Rock, on the other hand, speaks of the real world. Compare the music of artists like Cheap Trick, Styx, The Knack, or the Beatles to disco. I dare you!

Chuck Rathmann, Oak Creek, WI

Dear Chuck,

Whew! Guess you're not crazy about disco, eh? We accept your dare to compare, but we want to compare opinions of other *Dynamite* readers. How about it, gang? What's your opinion? Disco or Rock? Take the Disco Dare and send your opinions to Psssst . . . Pass It On. O.K., Chuck, you're on!

Dynamite

Dear *Dynamite*,

In *Dynamite* #61 I read the story about Ann Fitzpatrick and her cool candy castles. It was a neat article, but I'll call your attention to one thing. At the end, the writer mentions a candy house that you could actually live in. But just think, the ants could literally eat you out of house and home!

Roseanne Hill, San Bernardino, CA

Dear Roseanne,

You have a good point about the ants eating a candy house, but wouldn't it be a sweet place to live while it lasted!

Dynamite

Dear *Dynamite*,

If someone wants to send a Hot Stuff idea to *Dynamite*, does the idea have to be written like an article? Please let me know.

Julie Borda, Mansfield, PA

Dear Julie,

Lots of kids have written to ask the same question. Here's the answer. If you have an idea for a snack, a room decoration, a quick trick, or anything else you think is Hot Stuff, all you have to do is stuff your idea into an envelope along with your name, address, and T-shirt size, and send it to Hot Stuff. Then, the *Dynamite* staff will pick the Hottest ideas and we will write them up for Hot Stuff. If we pick your idea you win a Hot Stuff T-shirt and you get your name in print! Is your stuff Hot enough? Turn to page 26 for more details on where to send your ideas. Good luck!

Dynamite

BUMMERS!

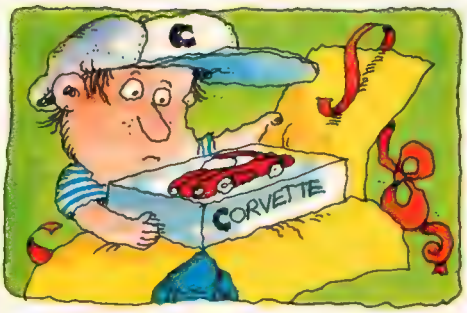
Join the Group Gripe by sending in your own Bummer, and our *Dynamite* artist might pick your idea to illustrate. Send all cranky suggestions to: *Dynamite*, 50 West 44th St., New York, NY 10036. If we pick your Bummer, we'll send you $5.00. If you don't hear from us, don't give up, you may still win one day! P.S.: You don't have to draw the picture.

Don't you hate it when you forget to put film in the camera! Beth Hilliard, Euclid, OH

Don't you hate it when you get out of your seat and your cat takes it! Richard Happel, Edison, NJ

Don't you hate it when your little sister uses your diary for a book report! Stephanie Barmish, Huntington Valley, PA

Don't you hate it when there's a hole in both your pockets! Annette Law, Hartland, MI



Don't you hate it when you ask for a Corvette for Christmas and the only one you get is a model!

Don't you hate it when your little brother gets everything that he asks for for Christmas and you don't!

Illustration/Jarod Lee

MAGIC WANDA

No-Strings-Attached Levitation

Hey, what's happening? This is Magic Wanda and magic is what's happening here! This month I've got a special trick that will raise your spirits and raise some eyebrows in your audience. In fact, it's more than a trick, it's a whole show! You'll actually make your assistant appear to float in the air. This illusion is called a levitation.

The levitation is one of magic's most mysterious illusions. An early version was done in the 1800's by French magician Robert-Houdin. (Robert-Houdin was the magician whose name Harry Houdini later took.) Robert-Houdin suspended his son in midair from a single pole under his young son's armpit. He told audiences a gas called ether had made his son lighter than air. Actually it was the pole connected to a hidden support under the boy's clothes which held the boy up.

You don't have to be a Houdini to do this levitation. But you will have to make lots of preparations before you get in front of an audience.

Here are the materials you'll need:

1 long, wide bedsheet
1 pair high-topped boots
a long picnic-table bench
2 thin wooden sticks, 2'2" long.
an assistant

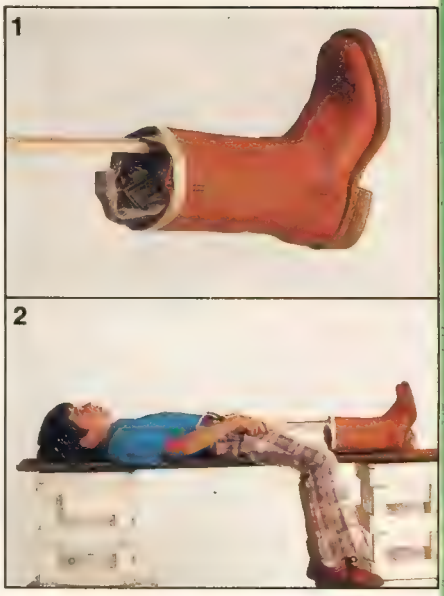
The Setup

You'll have to set up the trick and your props before you get in front of an audience. To make things easier, you should set up the trick in a room away from where the audience is. When you're ready to perform the trick, let the audience into the room.

Here's how to set it up:

1. Put a stick into each boot. Stuff newspapers into each boot for support. Then tie or tape the top of each boot to the stick so it is secure. (See picture 1.)

2. Have your assistant lie face-up on the bench. The assistant puts his or her feet on the floor, not on the end of the bench. (See picture 2.)



3. The assistant takes a stick in each hand and holds them so the boots rest on the end of the bench where his or her real feet would be.

4. Cover the assistant with a sheet. The sheet should be long enough to reach from the assistant's neck to the end of the bench. Make sure the sheet drapes over the boots so they cannot be seen.

5. Dim the lights and go out of the room to get the audience. Lead them into the room and have them sit down.

On With the Show

Ask everyone to keep perfectly still and quiet. Say, "Any sudden noise or movements will upset the mysterious forces I am about to summon." Pretend to hypnotize your assistant while he or she is on the bench. Keep repeating the words, "You are getting sleepy." After a minute or two, announce that your assistant is now ready to respond to your every command. Wave your hands over the assistant and say, "When I snap my fingers, you will be lighter than air." Snap your fingers and say the word "rise" over and over again.

As you do this, the assistant raises the sticks slowly so the boots rise under the sheet. The assistant must keep arms out straight in front so the middle of the sheet rises too. You should ham it up and call out loud for the mysterious magical forces that are present in the room to help you.

As the assistant raises the sticks, he or she should also raise head and shoulders off the bench as in picture 3. The assistant must coordinate both movements so the head rises at the same pace as the feet. When you're ready, ask for "the forces" to help you lower your assistant. In your most mysterious voice say, "Down, down, down," as you wave your hands over the assistant. As you do this, the assistant lowers the sticks and his or her head until he or she is once again lying flat on the bench.

Now you must get rid of your audience. Tell them that since the mysterious forces that were at work are so powerful the assistant must not be disturbed or awakened for at least five minutes or great harm might come to them. Ask everyone to leave the room again. You must get rid of the audience so the assistant can hide the sticks with the boots.

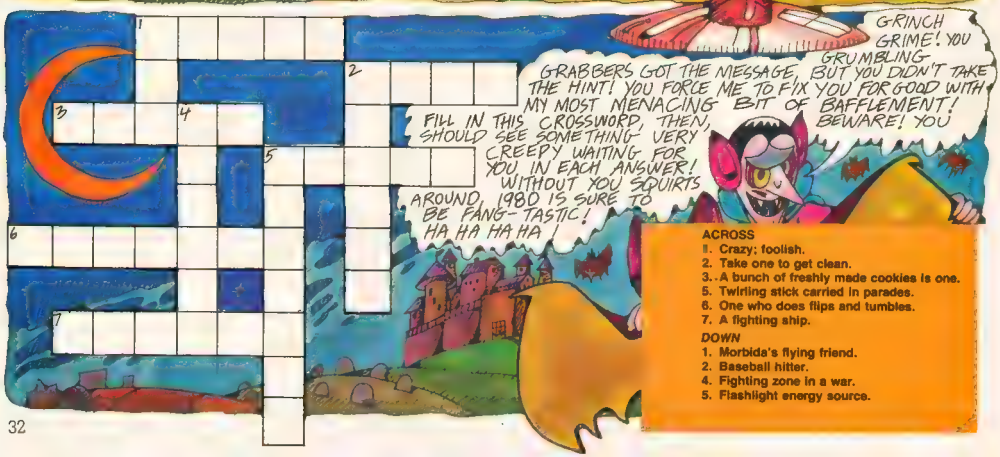
To make this work, you and your assistant must rehearse and practice a lot. I know you'll all rise to the occasion.

Do you have any magic tricks you'd like to see in *Dynamite*? I love getting mail, so send them to: Magic Wanda, 50 W. 44th St., N.Y., NY 10036.

Love, Peace, and Magic,

Magic Wanda

COUNT MORBIDA'S MONTHLY PUZZLE PAGES

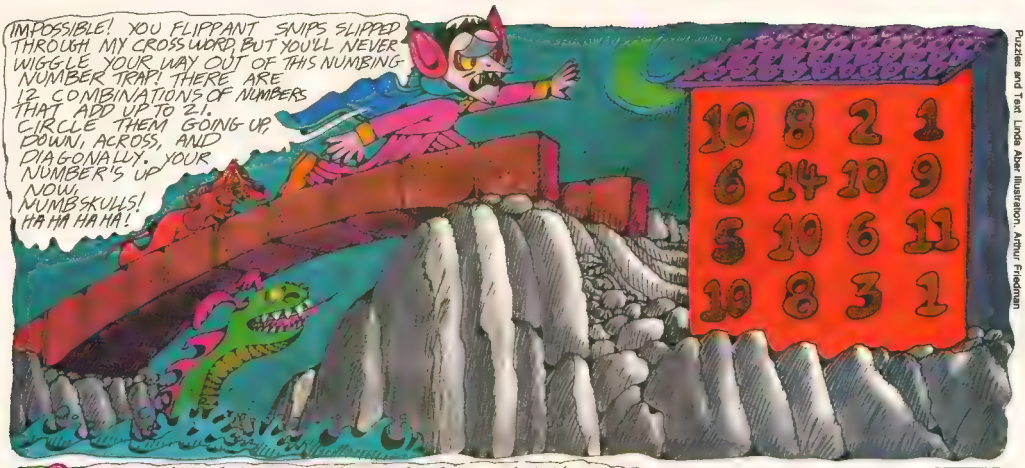


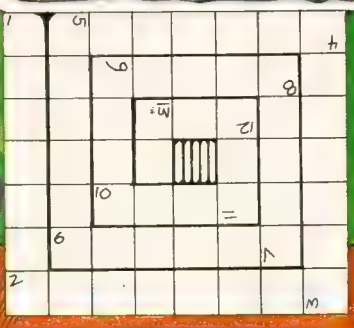
ACROSS

1. Crazy; foolish.
2. Take one to get clean.
3. A bunch of freshly made cookies is one.
5. Twirling stick carried in parades.
6. One who does flips and tumbles.
7. A fighting ship.

DOWN

1. Morbida's flying friend.
2. Baseball hitter.
4. Fighting zone in a war.
5. Flashlight energy source.





1. Fangsgiving is Morbida's favorite one.
2. Alone, all by _____.
3. It's in an Indian's headdress.
4. Oz is somewhere over one.
5. Two of these don't make a right.
6. Yell.
7. Wanda's kind of tricks.
8. A ghost rattles one.
9. A hammer hammers one.
10. It fell from a tree last Fall.
11. Chubby.
12. Rub-a-dub-dub, three men in one.
13. So long, good-_____!

Answers Inside Back Cover

The Rock 'n' Roll Name Game

Care for some Vanilla Fudge, Hot Chocolate, or Cherry Vanilla? If you're feeling adventurous, you might try some Ultimate Spinach or a Peanut Butter Conspiracy.

You probably think that we're offering the latest far-out flavors of ice cream. But actually these tasteful names belong to rock groups of the 50's, 60's, and 70's. As you can see from the names below, there's just one rule for naming a band — anything goes!

Some names are easy to figure out. Fleetwood Mac combined drummer Mick Fleetwood's last name with a misspelled version of the first syllable of bassist John McVie's name. The Swedish superstars Abba took the initials of their four members — Agnetha, Bjorn, Benny, and Annifrid. Barry, Maurice, and Robin Gibb called themselves the Brothers Gibb, which eventually got shortened to a spelled-out version of those initials, Bee Gees.

You can name a band after an historical figure like Jethro Tull (an 18th-century inventor) or Paul Revere and the Raiders. Styx took its name from an underground river in ancient Greek mythology.

Animal names have always been big. In the 50's there were Ravens, Orioles, Flamingoes, and Crickets. The Crickets inspired the name of a popular 60's band — the Beatles. After that the Animals, Turtles, Critters, and Tyrannosaurus Rex invaded the charts. Lately we've seen Eagles, Fabulous Poodles, Ducks Deluxe, Boomtown Rats, and Good Rats.

Puns and wordplays are acceptable. Examples include Consumer Rapport, Little Feat, Harper's Bizarre, Soul Survivors, and Rose Royce. Misspellings such as Byrds, Cyrkle, Vejtables, Monkees, Human Beinz, and Led Zeppelin are also fine. If you really get stuck, just add *ells* — such as in the Standells, Dovells, Shirelles, Hondells, and Rhondells.

Some bands take a colorful approach such as Shocking Blue, Frijid Pink, or Deep Purple. Other bands boast of qualities such as Chic, Sweet, Hot, and Foxy.

Last but not least, there are names that fit in no other category but ridiculous, such as Lothar and the Hand People, Dow Jones and the Industrialists, Strawberry Alarm Clock, Moby Grape, Flamin' Groovies, Ball Point Banana, Spiders from Mars, Cat Mother and the All-Night Newsboys, Stark Naked and the Car Thieves, Tonto's Expanding Headband, Sam the Sham and the Pharaohs, Iggy and the Stooges, William Penn and his Pals, Question Mark and the Mysterians, Soft White Underbelly (who became Blue Oyster Cult), Bubble Puppy, Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band, Captain Beefheart and His Magic Band, and Bootsy's Rubber Band.

Some of these groups enjoyed only a moment on the charts. Others have lasted longer. Some never made it. While the music of those groups is now forgotten, their names will live on as long as people keep playing the Rock 'n' Roll Name Game!

— Chip Lovitt

Dynamite's Long, Long Year
Year-Long Calendar 1980

How can you tell if the coming year will be a long one? Easy — just check out and hang up *Dynamite's Long, Long Year Year-Long Calendar for 1980!*

JANUARY 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You've already broken all your New Year's resolutions and it's only January 2!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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FEBRUARY 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . The only Valentine card you get is addressed to "Occupant."

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MARCH 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You join the marching band and you're assigned to play the bass fiddle!

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APRIL 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . As an April Fool's Day joke you put salt in the sugar bowl and then use it on your own cereal by mistake!

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MAY 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You ask the barber for a trim and you come out with your head looking like a tennis ball!

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JUNE 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You break your leg on the first day of summer vacation!

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JULY 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You go to see the spectacular Fourth of July fireworks at the park and you call college believes it never gets dark!

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AUGUST 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You make fun of someone who wears braces and then the dentist tells you that you need them too!

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SEPTEMBER 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You run for class treasurer and end up getting elected class clown on a write-in vote!

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OCTOBER 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . Everybody tells you you're wearing the weirdest Halloween costume they've ever seen — but you're not even wearing one!

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NOVEMBER 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . You get the lead role in the school's Thanksgiving play and you have to play the turkey!

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DECEMBER 1980

You know it's going to be a long year when . . . Your dad decides to give you a special gift you can really use — a screwdriver!

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Adventures With Arrow!

Looking for some action? Arrow's got it on the January Arrow Book Club list!

North of Danger is an action-packed true story set in the year 1940. Arne Kristiansen is a 12-year-old boy living on Spitsbergen, a remote island belonging to Norway. When the German army invades Norway, the people of Spitzbergen realize it will be just a matter of time before they are invaded too! Arne's father is on a scientific mission far to the North — and the Nazis are looking for him. Somehow Arne must warn his father. On skis, Arne starts his dangerous 200-mile journey north. Will he reach his father in time? Will Nazi spies try to stop him? One thing is certain, once you start reading, *nothing* will stop you!

Another exciting tale about real people and their struggle to survive is told in *The Long Winter*. Laura Ingalls and her family are beginning to settle in for the fall when a surprise blizzard hits in the middle of October! But that's just the beginning of the rough winter ahead. No one can believe it — blizzards for seven months! The little town is snowed in and supplies from the outside are cut off. How will the people survive? What will they do when the food runs out? We'll never tell! Here's an exciting story you won't want to miss!

A disaster of another kind has hit the quiet town of Hamilton in the Arrow book called *C.H.O.M.P.S.* Thieves are stealing valuables right from under people's noses. This sounds like a job for C.H.O.M.P.S.! What is C.H.O.M.P.S.? Just your everyday, average Canine Home Protection Service — an ordinary dog named Chomps! Ordinary except that he can karate chop a van, pull a truck with his teeth, knock down a flagpole, and make life miserable for lawbreakers. How does he perform all these amazing feats? Check out this hilarious book and find out!

Remember, you can't order these books from *Dynamite*. But you can get them and many others from your teacher and the Arrow Book Club in January!

ANSWERS TO BIG TV EVENT PUZZLE

1. lollipop
2. Fred
3. eye
4. soap
5. commercial
6. rerun
7. pilot
8. Nielsen
9. Kermit
10. mechanic
11. purple
12. George
13. Eight
14. Bedrock
15. Man
16. ding
17. Ricardo
18. talk
19. tables
20. Pebbles
21. cast
22. Taxi
23. ghost
24. beer
25. Arnold
26. pizza
27. Mork
28. Emmy
29. Ork
30. ear
31. networks
32. Disney
33. Oscar
34. Hardy
35. Hulk
36. spinach
37. Chicago
38. Dukes
39. White
40. Fantasy
41. J.J.
42. Angels
43. Walnut Grove
44. Live
45. Florida
46. Jaclyn
47. Love Boat
48. Sesame Street
49. Enterprise
50. Welby
51. maid
52. Bud
53. Adam
54. muppet
55. Lou
56. Charlie
57. nephew
58. Melissas
59. mini
60. Jaime
61. Carter
62. bowling
63. Yogi
64. Fonz
65. Mayberry
66. sheriff
67. red
68. major
69. Radar
70. Barbarino
71. word
72. Dino
73. Yabba Dabba Doo
74. Columbo
75. Dan
76. Ben
77. writer
78. New York
79. Virginia
80. John-Boy
81. Partridge
82. Brady Bunch
83. Alice
84. Minneapolis
85. Lou Grant
86. news
87. record
88. twelve
89. doctor
90. green
91. Road Runner
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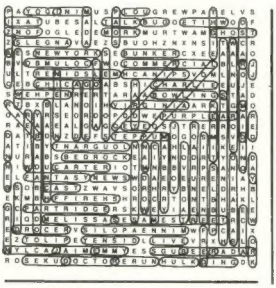
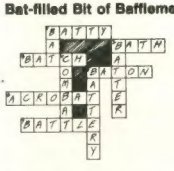


ANSWERS TO COUNT MORBIDA'S PUZZLE PAGES

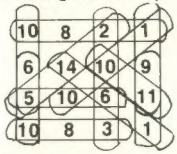
New Year's Nastiness

Sappy New Year, BATTY brats!
May your DREAMS be filled with RATS!
May your lunch be fresh FROG stew,
And your breakfast, WITCHES BREW!
May this be a CRUMMY year,
And may you KIDS all SCRAM from here!

Bat-filled Bit of Bafflement



Numbing Number Trap



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Risky Round-up Puzzle

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Dynamite's Wacky Package

Dynamite has never been famous for being sweet, and this dandy candy box is sure not to change that. Just put the box together, fill it with your favorite drops, dots, or candy spots, and offer your friends a piece of *Dynamite*'s dandiest candy — Beef Duds, the candy kids love to swap!

CHEWY, VITAMIN-ENCRUSTED, SUGAR-COATED, CHOCOLATE, FRUIT-FLAVORED, MALTED MILK, PEANUT BUTTER COATED, CREAMY CARAMEL, LICORICE FLAVORED

BEEF DUDS

"The Longest Name In Candy"

The Candy Kids Love to Swap!
Tiny Candy Pellets Last For Days!
(Cannot Be Swallowed!)

BEEF DUDS

Hey — Why Are You Wasting Your Time Reading The Bottom Of A Box? Go Away! Beat It! Find Something Constructive To Do!

An American Favorite Since Seven O'Clock Yesterday Morning!

CONTENTS: Air; Oxygen; Condensed Oxygen With 0_2; Natural Gases; Air Particles; Parts Of A Goat You Wouldn't Want To Know About.
NOTE: Box May Not Appear To Be Full. In Fact, It May Appear To Be Nearly Empty. This Is Due To Settling After Packaging And To The Incredible Stinginess Of Our Company.

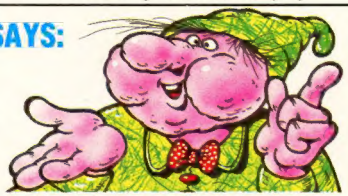
BEEF DUDS

If It Tastes Like Licorice-Flavored Beef, You Know It's A Real DUD!

NATTY NUTRITION® SAYS:

Hey, kids — eat all the BEEF DUDS you can grab! It's the chewy, chewy candy you just can't seem to get rid of!

But for a balanced diet, eat lots of eggs, too. For full nutritional value, swallow them whole! (After all, you'll swallow anything if you swallow the nutritional advice on the back of a candy box!)



FABULOUS INSTRUCTION BOOKLET INSIDE ON HOW YOU CAN BUY MORE BEEF DUDS AT OUR REGULAR PRICE!

HEY, KIDS — SPECIAL CONTEST!!!

Win a visit from Natty Nutrition!! That's right — Natty himself will come right to your house and stay for weeks and weeks!! What fun!! Natty staying in your house — maybe even in your room — eating your food and wearing your clothes! And giving you lots and lots of nutritional advice!! Wow!! Send today! Details inside each piece of candy!

To put this candy box together, just cut it out along the outside lines. Make a fold on each of the black lines so that it begins to look like a box. Tuck in the bottom tabs and tape them. Put tape or glue along the outside — to join the back to the side panel. Close the top. Dandy, right? And not too sweet, either!